South Silver Spring Pedestrian Linkages -- No. 760400

Category **Housing and Community Development** Date Last Modified January 7, 2004 Agency Housing & Community Affairs Previous PDF Page Number 7-79(04 App) Planning Area Silver Spring Required Adequate Public Facility NO Relocation Impact None. **EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000)** Thru Est. Total Beyond Cost Element Total FY03 FY05 FY06 FY07 FY09 FY10 FY04 6 Years FY08 6 Years Planning, Design and Supervision 840 0 330 510 310 200 0 0 0 0 0 Land 0 250 50 200 200 0 0 0 0 0 0 Site Improvements and Utilities 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 Construction 1,596 400 1,196 356 840 0 0 0 0 0 Other 0 0 362 177 185 O 185 0 0 0 0 Total 3,048 0 957 866 2.091 1 225 0 0 0 0 0 FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000) Community Development Block 3,048 0 957 2,091 866 Grant 1.225 0 n 0 0 0 ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (\$000)

DESCRIPTION

This project provides for a series of pedestrian links through large, awkwardly-shaped city blocks in South Silver Spring that will improve connections between existing businesses, parking and Montgomery College, and planned, new commercial development, and nearly 900 planned, new housing units. The project is an extension of the streetscaping program that is being implemented in the area (see South Silver Spring Revitalization, Project No. 769614). The objective is to overcome the inconvenience and isolation created by the unusually large block pattern in the area. The project will create new, more convenient, safe, and attractive links through South Silver Spring and to other areas of the CBD. These links will be constructed partly on Parking Lot District property and partly on private land. One link segment will require public land acquisition and several others will require public access easements. The linkage system incorporates several link segments that will be provided through private redevelopment projects, one of which is in development.

Service Area

Silver Spring

Capacity

These linkages will be used by thousands of residents and employees.

JUSTIFICATION

South Silver Spring is emerging as a special neighborhood, defined by high-tech businesses, arts enterprises, and major new housing projects. It is also the location of recent investment in new restaurants, convenience retail, and a number of exterior building renovations. The unusually large, awkwardly-shaped blocks that define the geography of South Silver Spring are not suitable for the residential and high-tech office neighborhood that is emerging. These linkages promote connectivity throughout the area and to other parts of the CBD. A second group of link segments, south of 13th Street, between Eastern Avenue and Georgia Avenue, will be evaluated for future consideration, along with improvements to the railroad underpass along Georgia Avenue and the Burlington Street Bridge.

Plans and Studies

Silver Spring CBD Sector Plan 2000, and Department of Housing and Community Affairs report "Creating the New Neighborhood: South Silver Spring" Pedestrian Safety will be considered during design.

Specific Data

Eight links, five are public sector responsibility and three are elements of private development projects.

Cost Change

Project cost adjusted for inflation and higher-than-expected permit fees.

STATUS

Concept development through design and construction.

OTHER

This project will comply with the Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPWT), Maryland State Highway Administration (MSHA), Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), American Association of State Highway Officials (AASTHO), and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards.

APPROPRIATION ANI EXPENDITURE DATA Date First Appropriation Initial Cost Estimate First Cost Estimate Current Scope Last FY's Cost Estimate Present Cost Estimate Appropriation Request Appropriation Request Est. Supplemental Appropriation Request Transfer Cumulative Appropriation Expenditures/ Encumbrances Unencumbered Balance Partial Closeout Thru New Partial Closeout Total Partial Closeout	(\$000) 3,894 3,894 3,894 3,048 0 0 0 0 957 20 937	COORDINATION Silver Spring Regional Services Center Silver Spring Citizens' Advisory Board Gateway-Georgia Avenue Development Corporation Silver Spring Mobility Study Task Force M-NCPPC Department of Public Works and Transportation Department of Permitting Services Silver Spring Urban District Montgomery College Montgomery County Arts and Humanities Council Affected Property Owners Affected Developers FY05 - CDBG Appropriation: \$866,000 FY06 - CDBG Appropriation: \$1,225,000	MAP See Map on Next Page
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